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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Foreign.-The question of England's naval strength was debated in the House of Commons, the Government's policy being approved by a vote of 240 to 206. \_\_\_\_ Codina, the Anarchist, arrested for throwing a dynamite bomb in the Lyceum Theatre, Barcelona, on November 7, made a confession. - Strong testimony was given against Monson, who is on trial at Edinburgh for the murder of Lieutenant Hambrough. The Italian Chamber of Deputies re-opens to-day; Signor Zanardelli will resign the presidency of the Chamber. - Sir Philip Wadehouse Currie has been appointed British Am-Congress.-Both houses in session.

not call up the Hawalian question; Mr. Berry, of Arkansas, spoke in favor of the repeal of the Election laws; Mr. Peffer advocated the free distribution of \$63,000,000 in silver dollars. House: Mr. Boutelle attempted to secure immediate consideration for his resolution on Hawail, but was overruled; the Wilson Tariff bill

Domestic-The warships San Francisco and New-York have been ordered to proceed to Rio Janeiro as soon as possible. == John P. Hopkins, Democrat, defeated George B. Swift, Republican, in the election to fill the unexpired term of Carter Harrison as Mayor of Chicago. of its own volition or under the pressure of - Wayne MacVeagh was nominated as Ambassador to Italy. ==== An express messenger on a Southern Pacific train was shot dead by an unknown person and one of the safes in his car was plundered. = The City Council of Jacksonville. Fla., passed an ordinance permitting glove contests; it is not known what action the Governor will take regarding the Corbett-Mitchell fight. - Olneyville strikers have accepted the mill-owners' concessions, and over 5,000 persons will again be self-supporting.

City and Suburban.-The Committee on Investigation and Reorganization appointed by the Republican County Committee reported that the present organization was worthless, and recommended the election district plan. === "Fred" May was fined \$500, paid it, and was released. The election and dinner of the Society of Colonial Wars were held. === Croker adopted a new plan of organization for the Tammany Executive Committee. == The report of Police Superintendent Byrnes whitewashing Captain O'Connor was adopted by the Police Commissioners, and the Captain escapes trial. Judge Cullen reserved his decision on the motion to grant a stay in the case of John Y. McKane. = Walter Damrosch dismissed the members of his orchestra. === Stocks slightly more active at lower prices. New-England fell about

prices were not the lowest. Money on call steady at about 11/2 per cent. The weather forecast for to-day: Generally fair; a moderate cold wave. Temperature yesterday: Highest, 42 degrees; lowest, 31; average,

5 per cent, but other declines were not im-

portant. The closing was weak, although last

If there is any institution which the intelligent people of New-York would be glad to see dealt with in a liberal spirit, it is the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The Legislature has authorized the Board of Estimate to set aside \$95,000 a year for this purpose, and representatives of the Museum came before the Board yesterday to show why the full sum should be allowed. They made out a strong case. Last year only \$70,000 was appropriated, and the result is a considerable deficit which the trustees have got to make up from some source. The Museum has been opened on Sundays in response to a strong public demand, which was accompanied by the virtual assurance that the city would provide the money for the additional

last evening. It was at the meeting of the difference by Mr. Wilson and his associates. Tammany Executive Committee of Thirty. representing each of the Assembly districts. He announced that he had determined to have hereafter two leaders instead of one in each

they adopted Mr. Croker's resolution unanimously. It was a bitter dose, of course-for each of them thereby halved his power-but they swallowed it without wincing. Croker is Boss, and wincing is not permissible in Tammany Hall.

Wayne MacVeagh to Italy! Well, the President is going to mave that Italian embassy to pay his campaign debts with, whether or no.

The election for Mayor of Chicago took place yesterday and resulted in a small majority for the Democratic candidate, according to the face of the returns. There is abundant evidence, however, that this result was not obtained without extensive and barefaced frauds. Our dispatches say that Mr. Swift, the Republican candidate, will contest the election. He seems to have plenty of reason to do so. The Democrats of Chicago have outdone Tammany Hall and are a close second to John Y. McKane,

After all, the Police Commissioners, by a vote of 3 to 1, have decided not to place Captain O'Connor on trial. The minority of one was Commissioner MacLean, who unsuccess fully urged that it was the duty of the Board to have charges of neglect preferred against the former commander of the Nineteenth Precinct. A report on the subject was made by Superintendent Byrnes which virtually exculpated O'Connor. Mr. MacLean bluntly pronounced it a defence of the Captain, and hinted that it might be necessary to put the Superintendent on trial also. The majority of the Board, however, are disposed to stand by both the Superintendent and the captains. action is in keeping with their decision to allow Captain Devery to continue on duty in spite of

### BRIEFLY STATED.

President Cleveland was determined to prevent the adoption of his predecessor's proposals concerning Hawaii, and to that end withdrew the annexation treaty from the Senate as soon as possible. He had already conceived a polley, and probably devised a plan of action to carry it into effect. But to sustain his intended proceedings a plea in justification would uitimately be necessary, and for this suitable materials were lacking. He therefore sent Mr. Blount to Honolulu to procure them. By excluding all evidence in disproof of the case which he was expected to make out, Mr. Blount easily and quickly finished his errand and gave President Cleveland what he wanted. execution of his plan until after the end of the extra session, so as to avoid the risk of legislative interference. He had no doubt that the interval between the extra and the regular essions would be ample for his purpose, and so, feeling safe at last after an irritating delay, he instructed Secretary Gresham to divulge the scheme for restoring the monarchy which Mr. Willis had been commissioned to accomplish, and of the success of which he supposed the next steamer from Honolula would bring the news.

But on reaching his post Mr. Willis found that he had not understood and could not control the situation there, according to his instructions that a peaceful restoration of the monarchy was simply impossible and a violent restoration extremely doubtful and hazardousand in a dispatch which the President still conceals he so reported and asked for further inwas impotent, public knowledge of the truth spread, the American people were able at last to take a hand. Congress met, and the game was up. Under pressure the President has con-Mr. Hoar announced that he would fessed an utter failure and asked Congress to consequences of his acts. This is the record in the celebrated case of Cleveland versus the Hawalian Commonwealth.

> There are numerous details of the President's miserable fiasco which the impending debate in Congress will illuminate. But at least one feature of it appears to need no further light, and that is the secreey which the President deliberately and assiduously maintained so long as he supposed that there was a possibility of interference with his plans by Congress, either public sentiment. In his special message he assumes that the people are on his side. If they are not, he has "entirely misapprehended the mission and character of our Government and the behavior which the conscience of our people demands of their public servants." If this is the President's conviction why did he not take the people into his confidence, thus giving to his purpose and endeavor the irresistible force of their approbation? He has lately had an opportunity to learn the value of such help. He has seen popular opinion compel hostile representatives of his party in Congress to unite with the Republican minority in saving the country from financial ruin. Why did he refuse to avail himself of the same assistance in carrying out his Hawaiian policy, if he knew that it was at his command? His acts refute his words. He never knew that the people would sustain him, and now he knows they will not. He chose to abide the event. Their opposition would have been fatal, and it suited his despotic and obstinate temper to avoid the test until he thought their approval was unnecessary.

This is a fact which no belated and now impertinent ascription of virtue to the people or invocation of their blessing can obscure. At first the President thought that he did not need their help. At last he is aware that he will not even receive their pardon.

DEMOCRATIC DODGERS. The Congressmen who take the lead in or ganizing Democratic opposition to the Tariff bill, but will not pledge their votes against the bill as it stands, are only making themselves objects of derision. The straight-out Free Traders read behind all these mealy-mouthed expostulations the slavish submission to party, which will make most of these Congressmen vote for the bill, no matter what it may provide. One "upstanding" man like Congressman Geary, who does not mind saying that he will beat the bill unless it takes care of oranges and champagne, the committee is afraid of, and that they may get Republican help to save Mr. Croker showed his power most strikingly garded, and doubtless are, with supreme in-

o get Republicans to aid them in fixing the bill, so that they may have a better chance of carrying Northern districts by the votes of Prodistrict, the second to be a business man; and tectionists, is not wanting in the fine Demo- to the police and so kept under police sur- miserable and the most degraded of all the though only two of the committee knew any- cratic virtue of impudence. After denying to

thing about this plan prior to their meeting. Republican members of the Committee of Ways | hidden away in respectable neighborhoods. For | far from the truth that for the good of those Democrats to choose between the bill of their own party and the Republican tariff. The country really wants to know what a Democratic

ity more quickly than it can possibly be resuch a bill after the people have a chance to plicity with crim ; express their opinion definitely next fall. Men would still have to face the risk that Democrats might yet agree on a measure, either at this session or at the next, which, if better than the Wilson bill for some districts, would be bad enough to do great harm in others. full restoration of confidence there would be needed a distinct declaration that, in the present condition of the country and in view of recent expressions of the popular will, any change of tariff is undesirable, and a pledge by Democrats enough to make a majority with the Republicans that they will not vote for any change

by this Congress. It goes without saying that a step so sensible and so helpful to business interests is not likely to be taken. If the fifty-three Democratic members of the House from New-York, Massachusetts. Connecticut. New-Jersey, Pennsylvania and Ohio would agree in that course, they could command the situation, without speaking of other members who are equally dissatisfied. Because fifty can do it if they will, each man of the people if he permits a rulnous bill to be otent, the terrors of caucus discipline and of all probability the bill will be forced through the House, no matter how bad it is. Many men who vote for it will mentally kick themselves for doing so, but they have chosen to be Democrats and must take their medicine.

Thanks to Dr. Parkhurst, we are in a fair means are speedily and easily found to rescue and restore stolen property. In these cases there is assually more or less mystery, no pubpunishment of the crime. There is, of course, but one explanation, and that is that the police authorities and prosecuting officers are so thoroughly posted as to the machinery of crime, the names and haunts and habits of criminals, the pawabrokers with whom they deal and the fences" where they dispose of their plunder. that they have only to send out word that the wrong man has been robbed to bring down the thieves and recapture the goods.

It may be said that this state of affairs implies collusion with criminals and something very like complicity in crime. It does seem open to that objection. It looks to the simpleminded citizen, pondering over the mystery of it, as though there must be some facit understanding by which the thieves and swindlers were permitted to ply their vocation without encountering any very determined effort on the part of police or prosecutors to bring them to justice so long as they keep within certain lim-Itations and recognize the exemptions fixed by the guardians of the law and the constituted frequent occurrence is well known. The class the whip hand of them and have some check sity is urgent, it can be found and effectively it is the correct one, so liable to monstrous winking at lawbreaking or omitting any means from knowing what the left hand does. to bring criminals to justice?

veillance, than if scattered all over the city or classes under the sky. Father Mahoney is so

and Means any opportunity to be present, or to a long time Dr. Parkhurst was sneered at even whose interest he should have at heart he ought take part when the bill was formed, the Demo- by respectable, law-abiding citizens as an imerats want a better bill for some localities than practical crank, engaged in a wild and hope way. the Democratic majority will consent to report. less crusade; his methods were jeered at and The Republicans have most properly declined his person caricatured. It is generally believed to be used as catspaws in that way, and have that the sudden activity in the Tenderloin preinformed the kicking Democrats that they can | cinct was intended simply to apply the "rehelp to defeat the bill if they choose. It seems | ductio ad absurdum" to his methods and exto be sound policy in this instance to compel cite sympathy for the poor outcasts against whom they were directed.

There has been a change in this regard in the last few weeks. The "men about town," who tariff is like. It gave the Democrats a majority lately made him a subject for coarse jests, are in order to find out. Recent elections make it | now mentioning his name with the respect due clear that the people would vote the other way a sincere, earnest man who has shown more to-day if they could, but it is the business of high courage, more unselfish philanthropy, voters as well as of Democratic Congressmen more intelligent, straightforward and immovto learn the important truth that they cannot able determination since he began his crusade give power to the Democratic party without than this community has seen in a score of years. And the police authorities have stopped If the Democrats from Northern States have laughing and are doing much hard thinking. a grain of sense they will easily defeat the bill . He has undertaken a great work, and has gone submitted, and by doing so can restore prosper- about it intelligently and fearlessly. He may not bring about the entire suppression of vice a measure, the burden of hard times resting stored in any other way. Within a week after and crime; probably has no hope of it. But he upon their shoulders. But if those who have such a vote, it is safe to say, manufacturing is clearly bent on having the line drawn as to moderate means yet feel the pinch of financial works would be starting up all over the land. how far the authorities intrusted with the ap-Men would be convinced that, if the Democrats prehension of criminals and the punishment of could not pass a destructive tariff bill at this crime can go in pursuing a system which insession, they would be even less likely to pass volves connivance with criminals and com-

### THE FIRST PERSON SINGULAR.

It has had quite a gun-the first person singular. Its original apotheosis was by Louis XIV. When that magnificent person said, "I am the State," and broadened the first person singular to the full dimensions of his kingdom and people, there was no one to deny his claim or dispute his title. His imitators have not always been so successful. The first Napoleon was a close second for a time, but he went to pieces at last while State and People survived. A more recent European imitator is the selfasserting young person known as the Emperor of Germany. Last year the passion for imitating the Grand Monarch seems to have passed over with the grip and other undesirable conever since. It broke out in Washington with the return of "The Master" to the direction of National affairs. According to the best Demoeratic and Mugwump authority, the repeal of The proposed new tariff is also the work of the first person singular. And up to the hour of the delivery of the last special message the MacVeagh!" is what he says now, first person singular was potential in the for eign policy of the Government. There are indications that the crisis of the disease has been passed in that quarter. The first person singu-

Coincidently the first person singular broke out in the executive departments of various States of the Union, Governor Penneyer, of Oregon, had a serious attack of it, which first f Kansas, who broke out with the first person singular in a proclamation to the officers of the municipal police nullifying a statute of the his mulady showed itself in the monopoly of the liquor business of the whole State. He was still rampaging when last heard from

Locally, the epidemic of the first person singular was at its height just before the November election. Messrs, Hill, Murphy and Sheehan strutted around with it as though it was something to be proud of. Mr. McLaughlin over in Brooklyn had it in a less demonstrative and what he deemed his own. It has had a considerable run. But it begins to look as if its fury had been spent. The country is passing out of the first-person-singular period. There are

FATHER MAHONEY'S GRAVE ERROR.

familiar with scores of them. It is not strange found in his city hundreds of cases of actual that they are seldom given publicity, for the starvation should be an appeal to every man of interest of the victim who has been fortunate | means to consider the needs of the poor and enough to have his property restored forbids the unfortunate. But his assertion that the his publishing the fact that he has been guilty misery of the tens of thousands who are out of of compounding a felony. And of course the employment has been caused by a conspiracy police authorities do not "give themselves of manufacturers to force up prices by shutting away.7 When pressed for an explanation of it, down mills and factories is so far from the however, they say with some show of plaust- truth that his thoughtlessness becomes a mat- of the most active of the daring men who helped bility that it is a necessity of the system; that ter for severe rebuke. When Father Mahoney the police must have such relations with crim- makes such reckless statements he injures his inals and such knowledge of their haunts and own cause. It must be plain to any reasonable manufacturer that if no one has money with upon them. The theory is that, it being impos- which to buy, prices cannot go up but sible to suppress crime entirely, the only practions go down. So much for the "conticable method of dealing with it is to restrain | spiracy." In saying, however, that he does not

habits as these things imply, in order to keep man that no one can know better than the it within certain limits where, when the neces- appeal to the rich because he fears that it would be useless, Father Mahoney commits treated. It is an old theory, and, granted that even a more serious offence. He must be blinding his own eyes. He asserts that which is abuses that the law-abiding citizen cannot but disproved on every hand. If the people of any shudder at it. But is it correct? Are there any nation owe benefits to the generosity of the rich circumstances conceivable in which the author- it is certainly in this country. Nowhere in the ities to whom the people have committed the world do men who have the means give more responsibility and power to ferret out all crime freely, nowhere is their liberality more spon- V. M. C. A. at Reading, Penn., Sunday evening. and punish all offenders, can be justified in taneous, and nowhere is the right hand so kept

When a priest from his pulpit makes baseless The theory concerning the impossibility of accusations such as these he ceases to be a suppressing crimes against property is set up force for good. He is rather marking himself much more openly and pressed more forcibly as one of those to whom so much of the misthere are others like him who have yet to be in relation to the social vices with the sup-fortunes of these times are due. When he atplacated. But the men who intend to crawl pression of which Dr. Parkhurst's name has tempts to array the man who has nothing behind the action of a party caucus when the been most prominently connected. In all the against him who has something which he is time comes, and who kick now only in the hope defences which have been put forward for the willing to share with others, he is robbing those inactivity of the police in this direction the whom he professes to hold as friends. When themselves from the wreck, ought to be re- greatest stress has been laid upon this the im- be encourages people to believe that the hand possibility of suppression and the consequent of every manufacturer, every banker and every need of a sort of discreet toleration, whereby business man is raised against them, he en-The attempt of these Democratic Congressmen | it will be kept within bounds and restrained | courages them to those thoughts which have to certain fixed limits. The argument has been brought to the lazy, the shiftless and the most that these vicious resorts were less dangerous unworthy of Europe's population that violence when confined within certain localities, known and that crime which have made them the most

at once to correct himself in no unmistakable

But, however wrong Father Mahoney is in his conclusions as to the causes of the widespread suffering, there seems to be no doubt that the distress exists as he pictures it. We prefer to think that the warmth of his heart has led him to orr in his conclusions and not that he has deliberately incited false beliefs in the hearts of his people. And so we urge that his testimony as to the facts be taken as an appeal to men of means to consider the needs of the poor and the unfortunate. This is the time of year when Christmas, the day of giving, especially warms one's heart toward his fellowmen and leads him to share some of his good fortune with others. To the generous man it is a delight not to enjoy his blessings singly; but perhaps some of us are thinking that this Christmas we can afford to do less for others depression, how much must they want who had so little at the beginning! A long winter with so many thousands out of employment must bring great misery, and perhaps much crime. No one can tell, for the American is proud and hides his grief, how deep is the suffering to-day in many homes, how dismal the future looks to the unemployed, the cold and the hungry, and what hopeless thoughts are in their minds. So let the generous repeat their good deeds this year as formerly, and let them add thereto a good measure of increased benefits. No man is better for suffering the pangs of hunger, but every man is better for relieving the wants of the miserable. The fault of Father Mahoney may not easily be forgiven, but the wants of starving men, women and children touch the hearts of their fellow-men.

When the Foreign Relations Committee comes to consider the new nomination for the Italian imbausy, it will doubtless ask Secretary Gresham whether, in his opinion, a certain Judge Gresham was wrong in practically declaring a certain lawyer named Wayne MacVeagh to have been guilty of dishonest practices. Secretary Gresham ought not to be kept an Executive secret.

"Let us at all times bear in mind that it is the people's cause we have in hand," said Mr. Cleveland, before election, "Step up to the cashier's desk, Mr. Van Alen,-your turn next, Mr.

Under the extension of time granted by the amendment to the Geary law, passed at the extra session, the registration of Chinese laborlar is less intense than it was. Other factors era will begin to-day. Only a small number registered in advance of the date when the proclamation. The present condition of the vision. This is really no more of a hardship of Colorado, and for several weeks that fune. If they wish to vote, which is recognized as a necessity. The Chinese have had time now to become acquainted with the law, and it stands them in hand to obey it.

> The stick of President Cleveland's Hawaiian skyrocket has come down, and how Mr. Cleveland had to "hustle" to dodge it!

Illinois, the first person singular took the form | New-York City really regard him in the light of converted malefactors. In South Carolina Governor Tillman had an attack of it, under which he tackled the United States courts and set their judgments at maught. Another form of ment regarding the man who holds the destines.

day shows, at all events, that he is taking mimority for the stating mimority is the stating mimority of St. Bartholomeu's Protestant Episcopal Church, of this city, will speak for "The Adopted Sons of New-Rogiand."

The toastmaster will be Daniel G. Rollins, the retiring president of the society. Mr. Rollins, the ment regarding the man who holds the destines.

The street venders of this city have good reason for appealing to the Mayor to protect them against the police, to whose impositions they have long submitted in silence. These men take out licenses, but in self-defence they have found it necessary to make terms with the policemen on Mr. John Y. McKane in its most violent form; otherwise the guardians of the peace would suband our own Croker was all broken out with | ject them to all sorts of annoyances and conit. Whoever reads his recent interview will tinually compel them to move on. The injustice observe that his is a very virulent case of first of this is apparent. At last the poor venders, person singular. The epidemic seems to have who make only a meagre living at the best, have started with the return of "The Master" to resolved to protest and to assert their rights. stands of all kinds, but the men with push carts have been peculiarly at their mercy. The matter may seem a small one, but in reality it is a large one to those most interested. When they have bought their licenses, they should be allowed to to do business without being compelled to share their scanty profits with members of the police Father Mahoney, of Brooklyn, in what was

"We can get rid of our surplus only by forundoubtedly intended as an earnest effort to aid authorities. That these things are of not in- distressed and suffering people, has made a eign trade," exclaims Statesman Wilson. Then serious mistake, which is likely to defeat his the seeks to undermine a series of twenty treatles of people known as "men about town" are ends. His testimony that he has personally negotiated in the interest of the export trade, and gives away the American market to all comers, instead of making the best possible THE PEDESTRIAN PASSES PEEKSRILL IN GOOD arrangements for opening foreign markets by reciprocity treaties.

# PERSONAL.

The Rev. Calvin Fairbank, one of the bravest of the heroes of the anti-slavery struggle, and one escaping negroes to reach freedom in the North by Underground Railroad, is now living, at the age of seventy-seven, in Angelica, Penn. He is struggling against poverty and the infirmities of old age, which are increased in his case by the hardship he underwent in prison, and is dependent for support upon the sales of his book.

M. J. Bertrand, a member of the Institute of of teaching in the Polytechnic School of Paris. He was also in 1850-52 a "répétiteur," or tutor of math remembered by some of his pupils now residing in remembered by some of ms pupils now resulting in New-York. A committee composed of members of the institute, colleagues, friends and former pupils of M. Bertrand has been formed to celebrate the anniversary of his half century of teaching, and to offer to the illustrious savant a medal, to be exe-futed by the celebrated artist, Chaplain.

John H. Littlefield, who has just returned from a two weeks' lecture trip in Ohio, addressed the and Monday evening lectured in one of the churches there on "Personal Recollections of Abraham Lin-

The death of Professor Tyndall recalls a quaint episode in connection with his famous Belfast address. An indignant cleric, resenting the agnostic doctrines therein promulgated, indited a letter to a Dublin paper, and signed it in English letters "Tou gar kai genos esinen." This the printer converted into "Ton gar kai geros soner," and the next day a letter appeared in which the writer alluded to "your correspondent, Mr. T. G. K. Soner,"

The Hon. Watson R. Sperry, ex-Minister of the United States to Persia, is recovering from a severe attack of Persian fever in Dresden. Sperry, who is a son-in-law of the late Isaac Henderson, of this city, was editor of "The Wilmington (Del.) News" at the time of his appointment, near the end of tresident Harrison's term, to the Persian mission. He reached Teheran early in January of this yeur, and, at the request of the State Department remained at his post awaiting the arrival of his successor until the last of August. The fever which he contracted there prostrated him in Dresden on his way home. At latest accounts he was still under his doctor's care, though apparently convalescent. the end of President Harrison's term, to the PerTHE FIRST TUESDAY EVENING DAM

The important social happening last night the first of the two subscription dances kn es the Tuesday Evening Dances, which took place at Sherry's. Three dances were arranged last winter by Mrs. George Peabody Wetmore, Mrs. John Christopher Wilmerding, Mrs. William Douglas Sloane and Mrs. Philip Schuyler, and have ranked in point of success and brilliancy with any of subscription dances of the season. There were no decorations except in the pink reception room, where there were a number of tall palms, several handsome bay trees and many pots of handsome bay trees and many pots of ferns set about in the corners and alongside of the broad Mrs. William D. Sloane, Mrs. Edmund L. Bay lies, Mrs. Whitney Warren and Mrs. Francklyn. The music for the dancing was by Lander's orches tra and the Hungarian Band. Supper was served in the large dining hall on the first floor after the cotilion, which was led by J. Wadsworth Ritchie danced alone. There were no favors,

The subscribers to these dances, most of whom were present, are, besides those who received the A. Burden, Mrs. H. LeGrand Cannon, Mrs. Robert L. Clarkson, Mrs. Henry A. Coster, Mrs. S. Van Renaselaer Cruger, Mrs. Richard Delafield, Mrs. Duncan Elliott, Mrs. Fish, Mrs. Frederic Gallatin, Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mrs. Ogden Goelet, Mrs. Charles F. Havemeyer, Mrs. Adrian Iselin, jr., Mrs. Columbus O'D. Iselin, Mrs. H. Van Rensselaer Kennedy, Mrs. J. Frederic Kernochan, Mrs. John Alson King, Mrs. Charles H. Marshall, Mrs. Ogden Mrs. John Minturn, Mrs. Robert B. Minturn, Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, Mrs. William D. Morgan, Mrs. Richard Mortimer, Mrs. Pendleton, Mrs. Burks-Roche, Mrs. Henry Sloane, Mrs. C. Albert Stevens, Mrs. Paran Stevens, Mrs. Henry A. C. Taylor, Mrs. Alexander Van Rensselaer, Mrs. James M. Water-

Woodworth.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Perry Tiffany, Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Yznaga, Mr. and Mrs. H. Watts Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brycs. Mr. and Mrs. John H. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Rives, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bayard Cutting. Mr. and Mrs. John Alexandre, Mr. and Mrs. H. McKay Twombly, Mrs. F. Ethinelander Jones, Mr. and Mrs. P. Copper Hewitt, Miss Bessle Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Giraud Foster Mr. and Mrs. William Burden, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderblit, Mr. and Mrs. George Warren, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Whitelaw Reld, Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Perderick W. Vanderblit, Whitelaw Reld, Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Pull Tuckerman, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. on, Worthington Whitehouse, n. George Peabody Wetmore, ne, Ellot Gregory, J. Lee Talle n. jr., and Charles F. Havems of these dances, which will of these dances, which will partake Mardi-Gras festival, will occur on

## FOR THE NEW-ENGLAND DINNER.

WELL-KNOWN SPEAKERS WHO WILL RESPOND

Elihu Root, the president-elect of the New-England Society of New-York, has completed the list of toasts and received acceptances from the speakers who are to respond thereto at the annual dinner to be given at Sherry's on Friday evening about which so many eloquent things have been said many eminent orators in the past, will be of the Pilgrim." St. Clair McKelway may be pected to apeak in an entertaining manner, as does in all subjects which he handles, about "Puritan and the Dutchman." The members of society will have an opportunity to hear ab render the gavel to his accomplished successor, Mr. Root.

# TO HONOR ROBERT BONNER.

FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS TO GIVE HIM A STAT UETTE OF SUNOL, HIS FAMOUS TROTTER.

Robert Bonner, the owner of the fast trotters tretting stock, will receive as a present a handa dinner to be given in his honor on Thursday The idea of presenting such a testimonial to Mr. Honner was conceived about two years ago in Chicago, and a committee has been working to se-cure subscriptions—a work which it found ex-ceedingly easy. The statuette is the work of C. E. Dallin, of Sait Lake City, and those who have seen it pronounce it a model of beauty. Sunal is repre-sented in the medel in the act of trotting, hitched to an old-fashioned high-wheel sulky, driven by

Charles Marvin.

The following are among those who contributed to the fund for the purchase of the statuette, and many of whom will be present at the dinner; C. W. Kelogg, P. C. Kellogg, A. B. Darling, Lucas Brodhead. Henry W. T. Mall, William Russell Allerf, J. C. Sibley, Leland Stanford, L. J. Rose, J. W. Daly, C. J. Hamilin, S. A. Browne, J. B. Mo-Ferran, H. C. McDowell, Charles Robinson, Charles Miller, Charles Marvin, J. E. Simmons, W. A. Sanborn and W. H. Wilsen.

# WESTON FAR ON HIS WAY.

Edward Payson Weston, the pedestrian, who is walking from New-York to Albany, expecting to make the trip in seventy-two hours, arrived in Yonkers at 1:30 o'clock yesterday morning. He walked down Broadway, in that city, at rapid rate, He stopped for a few moments to get a hot cup of coffee from an all-night stand, and then proof coffee from an all-night stand, and then pro-creded on his journey. He said that he felt fresh. Weston arrived at Sing Sing at 6:59 o'clock. He stopped at the American Hotel and had breakfast, consisting of graham crackers and coffee. He left the town at 7:10 a. m. for Psekskili, which he reached at 9:55. He went to the Eagle Hotel, where he took a bath and ate breakfast. He then re-tired to his room where he slept two hours. He said he was slightly thred and felt a little stiff. He had found the country roads ley and hard for waiking. He left the hotel for Fishkill, his next stopping place, at 1 o'clock. His step was brisk and he seemed refreshed by his short sleep and rest.

# VICTIMS OF A WASHINGTON CABLE CAR.

Washington, Dec. 19.-Mrs. Jennie Ferguson, wife of Major T. B. Ferguson and daughter of the late Governor Swan, of Maryland, who was run over by a cable car yesterday and so severely injured that amputation of one of her legs was rendered necessary, with little hope of saving the other. Is still alive, but the attending physicians entertain still alive, but the attending physicians entertain no hope of her recovery. Mrs. Ferguson is well known in society, both here and in Baltimore. She is a sister-in-law of the present Mayor of Baltimore. Her husband was formerly Assistant Fish Commissioner. They have four children, three girls and one boy, the latter, Dubbis, being a student at Lehigh University. He was summoned, and arrived in the city last night. A daughter, the wife of Dr. Shirley S. Carter, of Leesburg, Va., and another, the wife of Mr. John Whiople, of Newport, R. L. were both sent for by telegraph and arrived this morning.

JUBGE BILLINGS'S BEQUEST TO YALE. New-Haven, Conn., Dec. 19 (Special),-The will of Judge Edward Coke Billings was admitted to probate here to-day. The estate was estimated by the testator to be worth \$311,000, and on that basis he divided it. The only public bequest is that of divided it. The only public bequest is that of \$70,000 for the establishment of a chair of English literature at Yale, as has previously been announced. This chair is to be known as "the Emily Sanford Professorship of English Literature. The executors named are George Bliss and George T. Bliss, of New-York; Henry T. Blake and Warren A. Spalding, of New-Haven, and Mary H. Billings, of New-Orieans, The Messrs. Bliss, it is understood, will decline to serve, Judge Billings's law library is bequeathed to Don C. Pardee, United States Circuit Judge for the Vth Judicial District.